

## BURNING UP

Source: *U.S. Census Bureau, Bureau of Economic Analysis, "GDP by State and Locality, 1997-2000,"* <http://www.bea.gov/states/gdp>.

**Terrible Condition of Affairs in the Northwest—  
Forest Fires Raging in All Parts of the  
Country—The Crops Ruined—**

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beginning to arrive from northern and northeastern portions of the State showing a terrible condition of affairs. The long-continued drought has rendered everything as dry as tinder, and numerous "flashings," or partly-cleared tracts of land, covered with brush, decayed timber, and other inflammable materials, afford the best possible medium for the rapid spread of flames carried by the high winds which have been prevailing. Sanilac and Huron Counties, lying on

and Saginaw hay, are scenes of the greatest destruction, which is growing positively appalling in character. Hundreds of farms have already been reduced to blackened ashes. Stock, crops, farm buildings, and fences, all have been swept away. Men, women, and children have been overtaken by the flames and several lives are known to have been lost. It is feared when full accounts are received that the loss of life will prove terrible. The little hamlets—Anderson, Richmond and Charleston—in Sanilac County, are all reported to have been wiped out, while Post Hope, Verona Mills, and Bad Axe, Huron County,

people are flocking to the shores of Lake Huron from the interior of these counties as the only refuge from the devouring flames. Some were overtaken by the spreading fire. Not less than twenty deaths are already reported, but it is hoped that these statements may be incorrect. In Tuscola County, in the next tier of counties back from Lake Huron and south of Saginaw, fires are also raging, but with less severity. The losses are considerable but not yet known.

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lake shore. In Watertown township two entire families have been burned to death. George Ayres Hart, his wife, grandmother, two children, and a grand-child have been burned to death. It is so densely dark and smoky as to render breathing troublesome and cause burns the eyes. Camps are kept constantly burning. It is impossible to learn the full extent of the terrible calamity, as there is no mail and the telegraph wires are burned down from Forrester to Point Crescent.

MORRISTOWN, N. J., Sept. 7.—A portion of a block of frame buildings owned by Marsh & Craig burned this morning. Loss, \$7,000; fully insured. John T. Hatcher, painter and oiler, loss \$3,000; burned.

boats and a James Douglas tugboat, lost; crane, hoists and other equipment insured for \$10,000. The fire was either of incendiary origin or resulted from spontaneous combustion, probably the latter, caused by the extreme heat.

At the time of the fire, the business was accounting this afternoon destroyed the business part \$7,000. Among the stores burned were Sloan & Co., Edwards & Co., Perry & Co., Tully & Co., Myers & Atkins; also the town hall, post-office, and Hotel; and Birey and Dixon's tavern, merchants' and farmers' exchange, and the city hall. The fire responded promptly, but, owing to the scarcity of water, could render but little aid. No lives lost.

BRADFORD, Pa., Sept. 7.—Sparks set fire to underbrush ten miles south of Bradford to-day, and two hundred acres of forest were consumed. The fire, numerous trees, and five hundred barrels of oil.

**THE AWFUL HEAT.**

**A Terribly Warm Day—The Thermometer in the Hundreds.**

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 7.—The temperature at the signal station here to-day attained the maximum of 103½°. The temperature upon the streets was from three to four degrees higher than that recorded at the signal station, where the tower of observation is seventy-five feet from the ground and is free from reflected heat.

BALTIMORE, Md., Sept. 7.—The record of the signal office in this city shows that the temperature was higher to-day than at any time for four years.

at half-past two p. m., 101°, and at three p. m. 100° in the shade.

New York, Sept. 7.—The highest point reached by the thermometer here to-day was 100°. There were forty-three cases of prostration by heat in this city and vicinity, a number of which were fatal.

Forrestown, Pa., Sept. 7.—To-day was the hottest of the season. The thermometer at two p. m. marked 104°.

Wilmington, Del., Sept. 7.—Thermometer registers 102° in the shade. One case of sunstroke.

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near yesterday received the following telegram from Indian Agent Tiffany, of the San Carlos agency, dated San Carlos, A. T., September 5:

There is no danger of attack on this agency from the Apaches. I have no more to say to you, company. I want to not to more. Things quiet, no more trouble. I have no more to say to you, excellent army to employees. Teachers all away. Am fully prepared for any emergency, should one arise. I have no more to say to you, company. I shall remain here until I am satisfied everything is all right. I have no more to say to you, and I come from that section (presumably from near Fort Apache) and adding the military every day. I have no more to say to you, company. I am capable every way of taking care of things here.

To the above Lieutenant Glass added the following:

Agent Tiffany, with the co-operation of the troops now here, is, in my opinion, fully able to take care of things here.

**Wonderful Phenomena.**

SPRINGFIELD, MASS., Sept. 7.—The appearance of the atmosphere throughout Western Massachusetts till nearly two o'clock yesterday

It gave a blue tinge to the grass, and in some cases wholly changed the color of the flowers. It was so dark that all places of business were lighted, and some of the public schools and large manufacturing concerns were closed. Gas burned with a blue light, and the electric lamps had a still more mysterious appearance. Superstitious people thought the phenomenon was connected with the removal of the President.

BRIGHTON BEACH, Sept. 7.—First race—one mile. Sir Hugh won. Time, 1:14. French pools paid \$4.90. Second race—one mile and three-quarters. Crickmore won. Time, 3:33½. French pools paid \$17.85. Third race—one mile and an eighth. Marchioness won. Time, 2:35½. French pools paid \$66.10. Fourth race—handicap sweepstakes, mile heats. Bounce won first heat. Time, 1:13. Bounce won the second heat. Time, 1:41½. French

**Convicted of Manslaughter.**  
SUSSEX, Pa., Sept. 7.—The case of George Hoover, the lad of thirteen, who shot and killed his sister Lottie in May last, was tried here to-day. The trial occupied but a few hours, as all the important witnesses, the boy's mother and

Commonwealth did not push the case, and the jury acquitted the boy of murder, but convicted him of manslaughter. His sentence was deferred. The counsel for the defense gave notice to the court that they had some evidence which they wished to present to mitigate the boy's sentence.

**Base-Ball Games.**

At Troy, N. Y.—Troy, 14; Worcester, 5.

At Boston—Providence, 5; Boston, 3.